

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-9, 11, 12, and 16-18 are pending in the present application. Claims 14 and 15 have been canceled without prejudice.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 1-13 and 16-18 have been allowed, and withdrawn Claims 14 and 15 have been requested to be cancelled.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter. In view of that indication, withdrawn Claims 14 and 15 are cancelled as suggested by the outstanding Office Action. Accordingly, it is believed that Claims 1-9, 11, 12, and 16-18 are in condition for allowance.

Consequently, in light of the above discussion, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance and an early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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